

**510(k) SUMMARY  
ATRICURE COAGULATION SYSTEM  
510(k) NOTIFICATION K010112 and K01XXXX**

K011722

**General Information**

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**Date Prepared:** [to be added after 510(k) process]

**Device Description**

**Classification:** Class II

**Trade Name:** AtriCure Bipolar Coagulation System

**Generic/Common Name:** Electrosurgical cutting and coagulation device and  
Accessories 21CFR878.4400

**Predicate Devices**

1. Ethicon Non-Stick Bipolar Forceps (K973384)
2. Link Technology's Non-Stick Bipolar Forceps (K992931).
3. The generator accessory is equivalent to the currently marketed Rita Model 1500  
Electrosurgical RF Generator, which received clearance under K993944
4. Somnus Medical Technologies Model S1 Electrosurgical Generator K000501
5. Symbiosis Bipolar Forceps (K950286 and K951387)
6. Kirwan Medical Bipolar Forceps (K945975 and K955001)
7. CardioThoracic Systems MIDCAB/SVH Bipolar Forceps (K963930)
8. Heartport Inc. Heartport Maze System (K970496)
9. EndoCare Cryocare Cryosurgical System (K980110)
10. CyroGen Cardiac Cryosurgical Unit (K974320)
11. CyroGen Cryosurgical Unit and Accessories (K003050)
12. Galil Medical Cryo-Hit 200(K991517)
13. Galil Medical Cryo-Hit (K993965)

**Indication For Use Statement**

The AtriCure Bipolar Coagulation System is intended to ablate and coagulate soft tissue during General, ENT, Thoracic, Gynecology, and Urology surgical procedures.

**Product Description**

The AtriCure Bipolar Coagulation System consists of two components: AtriCure Bipolar Coagulator and AtriCure Bipolar Electrosurgical Generator.

The Bipolar Coagulator is substantially equivalent to the predicate Bipolar Forceps in that each consists of a handle connected to a pair of grasping jaws with electrodes on each jaw arm. All the devices utilize the same bipolar Electrosurgical technology, i.e., radio frequency (RF) energy, to coagulate the tissue by heating. The Bipolar Coagulator contains a negative and positive electrode on opposite jaw arms. The function of the Bipolar Coagulator and predicate devices is the same, current flows from a negatively charged pole through the tissue to a positively charged pole. The Bipolar Coagulator is provided as a sterile single patient use device and is provided in a variety of shapes and sizes. The Bipolar Coagulator is constructed with standard biocompatible materials used in medical devices involved in tissue contact.

The Bipolar Coagulator is designed to grasp tissue between the electrodes. When the energy is applied, the tissue touching the electrodes is coagulated. The field of coagulation extends up to 2 mm from the electrode. Area of coagulated tissue will be up to 4 mm in width or up to 60 mm in length. Fully coagulated tissue can be achieved for tissue thickness less than 10 mm.

The Electrosurgical Generator is set to deliver 750 mA of current. As tissue coagulation proceeds the impedance increases. The voltage is set to not exceed 75 Volts. When a voltage of 75 Volts is reached, the impedance increases and current flow decreases with voltage maintained at 75 Volts. Impedance of 400 ohms typically indicates fully coagulated tissue. The unit will display impedance, current, voltage, and power on the front of the generator. The unit will also monitor the temperature of the coagulated tissue and has a range up to 125 degrees Celsius. The surgeon may also use this temperature reading as a point of reference to determine the extent of tissue coagulation.

The AtriCure Bipolar Coagulation System meets the following performance industrial/international standards.

ANSI/AAMI HF 18  
ANSI C101-1992

Electrosurgical Devices  
American National Standard for Leakage  
Current for Appliances

AAMI ESI-1993	Safe Current Limits for Electromedical Apparatus
ISO 10993/EN 30993	Biological Evaluation of Medical Devices
ISO 11607	Packaging for Terminally Sterilized Medical Devices
ISO 11137	Sterilization of Health Care Products, Sterilization of Gamma Irradiation
IEC/EN 60601-1	Medical Electrical Equipment - Part 1: General Requirements for Safety
IEC/EN 60601-1+1	Medical Electrical Equipment - Collateral Standard: Safety Requirements for Medical Device Systems
IEC/EN 60601-2	Medical Electrical Equipment - Part 1: General Requirements for Safety 2: Collateral Standard: Electromagnetic Compatibility - Requirements and Tests
IEC/EN 60601-2-2	Medical Electrical Equipment - Part 2-2: Particular Requirements for the Safety of High Frequency Surgical Equipment
EN 46001	Application of EN ISO 9001 to the Manufacture of Medical Devices
UL 2601-1	Standard for Safety: Medical Electrical Equipment
UL 544	Standard for Safety: Medical and Dental Equipment
UL 498	Standard for Safety: Attachment Plugs and Receptacles

### **Summary**

As contained in this 510(k) summary, the AtriCure Bipolar Coagulation System is substantially equivalent to the predicate devices identified.



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Re: K011722

Trade/Device Name: AtriCure Bipolar Coagulation System  
Regulation Number: 878.4400  
Regulatory Class: II  
Product Code: GEI  
Dated: May 31, 2001  
Received: June 4, 2001

Dear Dr. Friedman:

We have reviewed your Section 510(k) notification of intent to market the device referenced above and we have determined the device is substantially equivalent (for the indications for use stated in the enclosure) to legally marketed predicate devices marketed in interstate commerce prior to May 28, 1976, the enactment date of the Medical Device Amendments, or to devices that have been reclassified in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (Act). You may, therefore, market the device, subject to the general controls provisions of the Act. The general controls provisions of the Act include requirements for annual registration, listing of devices, good manufacturing practice, labeling, and prohibitions against misbranding and adulteration.

If your device is classified (see above) into either class II (Special Controls) or class III (Premarket Approval), it may be subject to such additional controls. Existing major regulations affecting your device can be found in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Parts 800 to 895. A substantially equivalent determination assumes compliance with the Current Good Manufacturing Practice requirements, as set forth in the Quality System Regulation (QS) for Medical Devices: General regulation (21 CFR Part 820) and that, through periodic QS inspections, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) will verify such assumptions. Failure to comply with the GMP regulation may result in regulatory action. In addition, FDA may publish further announcements concerning your device in the Federal Register. Please note: this response to your premarket notification submission does not affect any obligation you might have under sections 531 through 542 of the Act for devices under the Electronic Product Radiation Control provisions, or other Federal laws or regulations.

This letter will allow you to begin marketing your device as described in your 510(k) premarket notification. The FDA finding of substantial equivalence of your device to a legally marketed predicate device results in a classification for your device and thus, permits your device to proceed to the market.

If you desire specific advice for your device on our labeling regulation (21 CFR Part 801 and additionally 809.10 for in vitro diagnostic devices), please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4659. Additionally, for questions on the promotion and advertising of your device, please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4639. Also, please note the regulation entitled, "Misbranding by reference to premarket notification" (21CFR 807.97). Other general information on your responsibilities under the Act may be obtained from the Division of Small Manufacturers International and Consumer Assistance at its toll-free number (800) 638-2041 or (301) 443-6597 or at its internet address "<http://www.fda.gov/cdrh/dsma/dsmamain.html>".

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Susan Witten" followed by a stylized flourish or initials.

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Enclosure

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